

ROADSIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY VEGETATION CONTROL AGREEMENT

BETWEEN: RED DEER COUNTY

-AND-

(LANDOWNER/TENANT)

(Mailing Address)

(City, Province, Postal Code)

RED DEER COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROGRAM GUIDELINES

RED DEER COUNTY HEREBY AGREES:

- To make available the option for landowners/tenants to avoid the use of herbicide weed and brush control on roadside right-of-ways (County Roadsides) immediately adjacent to property under the landowner's/tenant's control.
- To provide by way of this agreement a method of recording all County Roadsides where abstention from herbicide use is desired by landowners/tenants of immediately adjacent property.
- Requests by landowners/tenants to enter into an agreement will only be accepted until **May 15** to allow Red Deer County Spray Crews time to change the area's status in the spray program.
- Areas for which agreements are entered into will not be treated by Red Deer County spray crews prior to August 1. Red Deer County does not warrant or guarantee that spraying will not be performed in these designated areas by other persons or entities.
- All areas for which agreements are entered into will be inspected by Red Deer County to ensure that weed and brush control is satisfactory.
- If inadequate or ineffective control measures are used by the landowner/tenant, or the landowner/tenant is in default of the agreement, the landowner/tenant will be contacted by Red Deer County to determine and/or remedy the problem.
- If the landowner/tenant has not achieved adequate control of weeds and brush prior to August 1 of each year, Red Deer County reserves the right to effect weed and brush control by any measures deemed necessary or desirable by Red Deer County at that time, including chemical control using herbicides.
- This agreement shall remain in force unless terminated by Red Deer County or the landowner/tenant.

Red Deer County retains the right to refuse to enter into a roadside right-of-way vegetation control agreement with any landowner/tenant.

LANDOWNER/TENANT RESPONSIBILITIES

The landowner/tenant hereby agrees to:

- Control all brush, prohibited noxious and noxious weeds in the areas where the County has been requested not to use herbicides. Weed classifications shall be as designated in Provincial Regulations and Municipal Bylaws.
- Post and maintain proper signage supplied by Red Deer County, at the landowner's/tenant's expense, at all property corners of the affected parcels adjoining County Roadsides. The landowners/tenants will ensure signage is visible from the road. Homemade signage will not signify nor make an area exempt.
- This agreement does not allow the landowners/tenants to include any part of a County Road Allowance as part of the buffer zone to meet requirements of Organic Certification.

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of the aforementioned conditions and the environmental benefits perceived by me, by the non-application of herbicides to County road right-of-ways, I, _____ the undersigned agree to abide by all aforementioned conditions in this agreement. I agree that I will control all vegetation in the ditches of the County Roadsides listed below and will keep all right-of-ways listed in this agreement maintained and with good visibility at all times throughout the growing season. I further agree that if I am unable to or do not meet these requirements, Red Deer County may immediately terminate this agreement, may effect vegetation control by any measures deemed necessary or desirable by Red Deer County at that time, including

chemical control using herbicides, without hindrance or interference by me, or by my agent(s), or both. I further understand that if Red Deer County terminates this agreement, Red Deer County may refuse to enter into this type of agreement with me in the future if I do not meet these terms and conditions.

Weeds will be considered controlled if:

- prohibited noxious weeds are completely destroyed,
- noxious weeds are controlled, and
- brush has been removed to increase road visibility and safety and allow proper road maintenance.

This Roadside Right-Of-Way Vegetation Control Agreement is in effect:

- until landowners/tenants request termination of this Agreement, or
- until Red Deer County terminates this agreement if it deems the control of undesirable vegetation inadequate and further control is necessary.

Red Deer County reserves the right to control at any time, vegetation along its roadsides in a manner that protects public safety and agricultural lands notwithstanding the provisions of this agreement.

Designated Non-Treatment Areas:

Number of Signs required: _____ x \$30/sign = \$ _____ deposit* required

_____ WITNESS	_____ LANDOWNER/TENANT
_____ DATE	_____ AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN

*Deposit will be refunded if and only if signs are returned

Request Termination of Vegetation Control Agreement and Deposit Returned:

_____ WITNESS	_____ LANDOWNER/TENANT
_____ DATE	_____ AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN

Sign Requirement and Placement:

